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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q58134

Pierre RIPOCHE, et al.

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Appln. No.: 09/519,847

Group Art Unit: 1731

Confirmation No.: 8169

Examiner: John M. HOFFMAN

Filed: March 06, 2000

For: METHOD OF FABRICATING AN OPTICAL FIBER PREFORM INCLUDING
OUTSIDE DEPOSITION OF SILICA, POSSIBLY DOPED SILICA

SUBMISSION OF DRAWINGS

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ATTN: OFFICIAL DRAFTSPERSON

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

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Sir:

Submitted herewith please find 3 sheets of drawings (Figs. 1, 4/5 and 6) in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.84. The enclosed drawings are intended to replace the originally filed Figs. 1, 4/5 and 6. The Examiner is respectfully requested to acknowledge receipt of these drawings.

The submitted replacement sheets of drawings incorporate the proposed drawing changes to Figs. 1, 5 and 6, approved by the Examiner in the Notice of Allowance mailed August 13, 2003.

Respectfully submitted,

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